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'DOCTOR WHO' EPISODE TWO 'Image of the Fendahl'

CAST:

THE DOCTOR
LEELA
DOCTOR FENDELMAN
ADAM COLBY
THEA RANSOME
MRS. TYLER
JACK TYLER
TED MOSS
MAXIMILLIAN STAEL
SECURITY MAN
DAVID MITCHELL
SECURITY MAN (N/S)

SETS:

Fendelman's Laboratory Colby's Laboratory Cottage Priory Kitchen Cellar Storeroom Corridor

TELECINE:

Ext. Cottage

Ext. Fetch Priory

Ext. Wood.

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TELECINE 1:

SUPOSE CAM

Opening Titles:

Ext. Wood. Night.

REPRISE end of Episode One.

THE DOCTOR'S eyes are wide and staring with fierce concentration. He is breathing rapidly. The dragging sounds are very close. They come even closer.

THE DOCTOR takes a deep breath and holds it.

He closes his eyes and visibly relaxes.

The unseen horror is almost on top of him.

Slowly THE DOCTOR begins to sway backwards and forwards.

Suddenly THE DOCTOR exhales sharply.

THE DOCTOR: Now!

He dives into a forward roll and comes up running.

THE DOCTOR: That's it. Run legs!

Head down, movements oddly uncoordinated and jerky he pelts away.

END TELECINE 1.

1. INT. COTTAGE. NIGHT.

(HERE AND THERE AMONG THE MORE NORMAL BRIC-A-BRAC ARE SOME SLIGHTLY MORE SINISTER ITEMS -A JAR CONTAINING A PICKLED TOAD, . ANOTHER FULL OF SMALL BONES POTS OF FUNGI AND BUNDLES OF HERBS, SEVERAL CORN DOLLIES, A SMALL GLASS SPHERE, A SET OF TAROT CARDS PARTIALLY LAID OUT ON A SMALL TABLE. .

TED MOSS,
DRESSED IN A
DUFFLE COAT WITH
THE HOOD PULLED
UP IS FACING
THE EMPTY DOORWAY.

HE IS HOLDING
A SHOTGUN WHICH
HE IS, HURRIEDLY
RE-LOADING.

HE THROWS THE DUFFLE COAT HOOD BACK AND MOVES WARILY TOWARDS THE DOOR.

HE IS SLIGHTLY
CROUCHED AND
POINTING THE SHOTGUN
IN FRONT OF HIM.

AS TED MOSS REACHES
THE DOORWAY
LEELA REACHES
OUT FROM WHERE
SHE IS HIDING
AGAINST THE
OUTSIDE WALL.

SHE GRABS THE SHOTGUN NEAR THE MUZZLE AND SLAMS THE BARRELS UPWARDS INTO MOSS'S FACE.

HE LETS GO OF THE GUN AND FALLS BACKWARDS WITH A CRY.

LEELA SWINGS
THE GUN INTO A
FIRING POSITION
AND MOVES SWIFTLY
TO WHERE MOSS
IS LYING CLUTCHING
HIS NOSE AND MOANING.

OVER HIM AND THRUSTS THE MUZZLE OF THE GUN AT HIS FACE.

HE GOES VERY STILL AND STOPS MOANING)

LEELA: That shot will be your last.

MOSS: I didn't know it were you.

LEELA: Well, you know now.

(JACK TYLER COMES IN SILENTLY BEHIND LEELA.

JACK TYLER
IS A TALL, THICKSET, DARK
YOUNG MAN.

HE PICKS
UP A WALKING—
STICK FROM THE
CORNER OF THE
ROOM AND MOVES
TOWARDS LEELA)

MOSS: You was trespassin'.

JACK: So were you Ted Moss. Put the gun down, Miss.

(LEELA DOES NOT MOVE.

JACK TOUCHES
THE WALKING—
STICK IN THE
SMALL OF HER BACK)

I said put the gun down, Miss.

LEELA: Kill me and your friend dies too.

MOSS: She's a nutter, Jack, she means it.

JACK: He ent no friend of mine so that's a chance I'm prepared to take. The gun Miss.

(LEELA LAYS THE GUN ON THE FLOOR.

JACK, KEEPING
THE END OF THE
WALKING-STICK
TOUCHING THE
SMALL OF HER BACK,
BENDS DOWN AND
CAREFULLY PICKS
UP THE GUN.

JACK UNLOADS IT)

JACK: (cont) Right. Now p'raps you'll explain what you're doin' in my gran's cottage.

MOSS: She -

JACK: Both of you.

2. INT. COLBY'S LABORATORY, NIGHT.

(C.U. OF THE SKULL.

IT IS GLOWING MORE AND MORE INTENSELY)

3. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY, NIGHT.

(THEA IS DEEP IN HER TRANCE.

THE DOOR
OPENS SLOWLY.
ADAM COLBY PEERS
ROUND IT, THEN
SLIPS INSIDE)

COLBY: Thea, what are you doing? Fendelman'll go barmy - barmier - if he finds you messing -

(NOTICES HER CONDITION FOR THE FIRST TIME)

Thea?

(TAKES HER BY THE ARM)

Thea?

(SHE IGNORES HIM COMPLETELY)

What's wrong? Thea!

4. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN. NIGHT.

(MITCHELL IS DRINKING A MUG OF COFFEE.

HE STOPS
TO LISTEN FOR
A MOMENT AS THOUGH
SOMETHING OUTSIDE
HAS CAUGHT HIS
ATTENTION.

HE SHRUGS SLIGHTLY AND RETURNS TO DRINKING HIS COFFEE.

HE STOPS
AGAIN TO LISTEN.
THIS TIME THERE
IS A DEFINITE
SOUND - A DRAGGING
NOISE ON THE GRAVEL
OUTSIDE.

HE TURNS
TO LOOK AT THE
DOOR.

IT BURSTS OPEN WITH A CRASH.

A LOOK OF HORROR REGISTERS ON HIS FACE)

5. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(COLBY HURRIEDLY AND A LITTLE HAPHAZARDLY BEGINS TO SWITCH OFF THE SCANNER.

HE SHAKES THEA)

COLBY: Thea?

(THERE IS A BLOOD-CHILLING SCREAM FROM THE KITCHEN)

Good grief! Thea, wake up!

THEA: What? (GLANCES ROUND) Yes...
I...Adam. What are you doing?
Are you following me?

COLBY: (SHAKES HIS HEAD) Leading. Let's get out of here. That scream came from the kitchen.

THEA: Scream?

COLBY: (BUSTLING HER OUT) Never mind.

(HE RAPIDLY
TURNS OUT THE
LIGHT AND LOCKS
THE DOOR)

TELECINE 2:

Ext. Fetch Priory. Night.

THE DOCTOR is sprinting towards the house.

END TELECINE 2.

6. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN, NIGHT.

(OUTSIDE DOOR IS OPEN. MITCHELL IS SPRAWLED ACROSS THE TABLE.

HE IS DEAD. THE EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE IS GHASTLY.

THE INSIDE
DOOR BURSTS OPEN
AND COLBY RUSHES
IN FOLLOWED BY THEA)

COLBY: Mitchell!

(HE CROSSES TO THE BODY AND LOOKS, THEN TURNS AWAY QUICKLY)

It's the same as the other one.

(THEA MEANTIME IS EXAMINING THE BODY, FAIRLY DISPASSIONATELY)

THEA: There's a sort of blister on the back of the neck. (cont...)

(ENTER THE DOCTOR QUIETLY THROUGH THE OPEN OUTSIDE DOOR)

THEA: (cont) Could be a birthmark I suppose.

COLBY: The man's dead Thea! How can you be so...unconcerned...

(THE DOCTOR CROSSING TO THE BODY)

THE DOCTOR: Emotion and concern aren't necessarily the same thing. May I?

(MAKES A
QUICK EXAMINATION
OF THE BODY ENDING
WITH THE BLISTER
ON THE NECK)

But that's a myth. A folk story. It has to be...

COLBY: Who are you? You're not a security man?

THE DOCTOR: Do I look like a security man?

(THEA SWAYS ON HER FEET)

Are you all right?

(THEA COLLAPSES.

COLBY GOES TO HELP HER.

THE DOCTOR
RESTRAINS HIM)

Don't touch her.

COLBY: Get out of my way.

THE DOCTOR: (FEROCIOUSLY) Don't touch her. How many deaths have there been?

COLBY: Deaths?

THE DOCTOR: Like that! (POINTS TO MITCHELL)

COLBY: Two. Now look.

THE DOCTOR: (NODDING AT THEA) No, you look.

(AROUND WHERE THEA IS LYING A FAINT, GLOWING HALO OF ENERGY APPEARS.

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SLOWLY TWO BROAD, FLAT RIBBONS OF WHAT APPEARS TO BE BLACK SILK MATERIALISE ACROSS, BUT NOT ATTACHED TO, HER BODY.

THE HALO STARTS
TO FADE AND AS IT
DOES THE RIBBONS
BEGIN TO
DEMATERIALISE.

AS THEY DISAPPEAR
ONE OF THEM,
SHOCKINGLY, BEGINS
TO MOVE. IT HUMPS
ITSELF UP IN THE
MIDDLE LIKE A LARGE,
LETHARGIC, TAPE
WORM.

THE WHOLE
MANIFESTATION
IS QUITE BRIEF.

COLBY IS VISIBLY SHAKEN.

THE DOCTOR IS GRIM. HE GOES TO HELP THEA)

COLBY: What was it?

THE DOCTOR: I'm not sure. I hope I'm not sure... But they looked like embryo fendaleen.

(THEA COMES ROUND)

THEA: I fainted again. \times

THE DOCTOR: (TO HIMSELF) Four thousand million people on this planet. If I'm right within a year there'll be one left alive. Just one.

THEA: What's wrong with me?

COLBY: Shock. It was a shock.

(TO THE DOCTOR) I might have known.

You're a wandering Armageddon peddlar aren't you? Repent ye for the end of the world is at hand?

THE DOCTOR: How do you explain what you saw?

COLBY: I don't know that I saw anything. A trick of the light.

> (ENTER FENDELMAN, UNNOTICED AND HOLDING A GUN)

THE DOCTOR: Who's in charge around here?

FENDELMAN: I am. Stay exactly as you are.

THE DOCTOR: Doctor Fendelman I presume. (A THOUGHT STRIKES HIM) Is that your real name?

FENDELMAN: I will ask the questions.

(ENTER TWO
ARMED SECURITY
MEN AND STAEL,
WHO EXAMINES
THE BODY)

#But later. Lock him up somewhere.

THE DOCTOR: Is this how you treat all your house guests?

FENDELMAN: Only uninvited ones, whom I suspect of murder. Take him out.

(THE SECURITY MEN BEGIN TO HUSTLE THE DOCTOR OUT)

THE DOCTOR: You have to do two things, Fendelman. Dismantle that scanner -

SECURITY MAN: Move!

THE DOCTOR: - an run some tests on Thea. Start with an x-ray of her skull!

(THEY HUSTLE HIM OUT.

STAEL HAS COMPLETED HIS PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION) STAEL: It is as before.

FENDELMAN: A terrible thing. Terrible.

COLBY: This time I call the police.

FENDELMAN: As you wish. But Adam? How will you explain why you did not call them the last time?

STAEL: Doctor?

FENDELMAN: What is it, Stael?

(COLBY GOES OUT)

STAEL: The process of decomposition is much faster this time.

7. INT. CELLAR STOREROOM. NIGHT.

(THE ROOM IS SMALL, WINDOWLESS AND STONE FLAGGED, WITH A HEAVY OAK DOOR.

THE DOOR IS OPENED AND THE DOCTOR SHOVED INSIDE.

THE LISTENS TO
THE SOUND OF THE
DOOR BOLT BEING
PUSHED HOME AND
LOOKS ROUND HIS
PRISON)

THE DOCTOR: (SHOUTS) There isn't
time for this!

(HE FEELS AROUND IN HIS POCKETS AND PRODUCES HIS SONIC SCREWDRIVER. HE SETS TO WORK OF THE LOCK)

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8. INT. COTTAGE LIVING-ROOM. NIGHT.

(JACK IS SITTING ON THE ARM OF A CHAIR.

LEELA IS STANDING FACING HIM SQUARELY.

MOSS IS FIDGETING, NURSING HIS BRUISES AND A GRIEVANCE)

JACK: That do seem a little far-fetched.

MOSS: 'Ent a word o' truth in it, that's why!

JACK: (TO MOSS) You wouldn't recognise the truth if you fell over it.

LEELA: (CALMLY) Why should I lie to you?

JACK: Fear?

LEELA: Does it seem to you that I am afraid?

MOSS: You ought to be! (Cont...)

(LEELA IGNORES HIM.

MOSS ANGRILY PUSHES AT HER)

MOSS: (cont) I said you ought to be - ah!

(LEELA FLIPS HIM ONTO HIS BACK)

LEELA: Why is that? I must go now. (MAKES TO LEAVE)

JACK: Wait a minute: (MORE SOFTLY) Please?

(MOSS IS PICKING HIMSELF UP AGAIN.

JACK TURNS TO HIM)

On your way.

MOSS: I want to see Mother Tyler.

JACK: Mrs Tyler don't want to see you.

MOSS: Where is she?

JACK: I don't know! I can't find her.

MOSS: She's got suffen for me. I paid good money for it.

JACK: You'll get your money back. Now get out.

(MOSS HESITATES)

Out!

(MOSS HURRIES TO THE DOOR. HE TURNS AND LOOKS AT LEELA)

MOSS: I'll see you again.

LEELA: Get some practice first.

(MOSS GOES OUT. JACK GOES AND CLOSES THE DOOR)

JACK: Nasty piece of work. Him and some others from the village they — well I'm not sure exactly. Thing is I think my gran's involved in whatever it is. I mean she's a good old girl but... well she were brought up in the old ways, see?

LEELA: The old ways?

JACK: The old supersitions an' that. He called her 'Mother Tyler', that 'ent 'cause he likes her. That's from the Old Religion. There's suffen nasty going on. Do you know what it is? Have you and this Doctor bloke been sent to sort it out?

LEELA: The Doctor came to stop the sonic time scan.

JACK: What's one of them?

LEELA: He says it will cause (FROM MEMORY) a direct continuum implosion.

JACK: (LAUGHS) Damn, girl! You don't half tell some whoppers don't you.

LEELA: (PUZZLED) Whoppers?

JACK: Don't matter.

LEELA: I'm sure the Doctor would help you. He's difficult sometimes but he has great knowledge, and genleness.

9. INT. CELLAR STOREROOM. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR
IS HURLING
HIMSELF FURIOUSLY
AGAINST THE
DOOR.

HE LEANS
BACK AND KICKS
AT IT SAVAGELY)

THE DOCTOR: Stupid door! Obviously not the original bolt.

(HE TURNS AWAY.
FROM OUTSIDE
THE DOOR THERE
IS THE SOUND
OF METAL FRAGMENTS
FALLING AND THE
DOOR SWINGS OPEN
A LITTLE.

THE DOCTOR TURNS BACK AND BEAMS)

10. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN. NIGHT.

(THE BODY HAS BEEN REMOVED.

THEA IS SITTING AT THE TABLE. SHE IS VERY PALE AND QUIET.

COLBY IS RAGING AT FENDELMAN)

COLBY: You must think my head zips up at the back!

FENDELMAN: Be reasonable, Adam. Why should I disconnect the telephone?

COLBY: For the same reason you've got the place surrounded by thugs!

FENDELMAN: And what reason is that?

COLBY: Because you're mad Fendleman!

(QUIETLY AS THOUGH REALISING FOR THE FIRST TIME THE IMPLICATION OF IT)

You're mad.

FENDELMAN: If that were so you are hardly behaving in a manner conducive to your own safety. Surely you must humour me. Sit down.

(COLBY DOES SO)

The skull that you found is, I believe, extra-terrestrial in origin.

COLBY: An alien space traveller.

(NODDING)

Hence the guards. Next of kin come for the remains. You're expecting an attack by little green men from... Venus?

FENDELMAN: Don't talk like a fool, Colby! You are not a fool!

COLBY: No, I'm not! That skull is human. It's a skull like yours or mine. Modern man. Homo sapiens.

FENDELMAN: Exactly. And it is twelve million years old. Several million years older than the known remains of any of man's so-called ancestors.

COLBY: Good grief. You think we're all aliens?

11. INT. COTTAGE. NIGHT.

(JACK AND LEELA ARE PREPARING TO LEAVE)

JACK: Let's go then. Find your Doctor. P'raps he can - fit all together and make sense of it. If he's everything you -

(LEELA GESTURES HIM TO SILENCE. THERE IS A FAINT SOUND OUTSIDE.

JACK MOVES TOWARDS THE DOOR)

(LOUDLY) Yeah, if he's as clever as you say he is I reckon he'll know what's going on.

(HE PULLS THE DOOR OPEN.

MRS TYLER
IS STANDING
THERE. HER
EYES ARE WIDE
AND STARING.
HER MOUTH IS
TWISTED IN A
SOUNDLESS
SCREAM)

12. INT. CORRIDOR. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR
IS MAKING HIS
WAY CAREFULLY
ALONG THE
CORRIDOR.

THE DOOR TO FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY IS AJAR. HE HEARS THE MURMUR OF VOICES.

SILENTLY HE GOES TO THE DOOR AND PEERS IN.

FROM THE
DOCTOR'S
P.O.V. STAEL
IS VISIBLE
THROUGH THE
CRACK BUT THE
PERSON HE
IS TALKNG TO
IS NOT. HE IS
ANGRY BUT
KEEPING HIS
VOICE LOW)

STAEL: You should not have come here.

MOSS: (V.O.) I had to warn you.

STAEL: There are security guards now.

13. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(STAEL IS TALKING TO TED MOSS)

MOSS: City boys. It 'ent hard to get past them.

STAEL: It was a stupid risk. Fendelman is already suspicious and uneasy. Why do you think he sent for the guards?

MOSS: I had to warn you about the Doctor.

STAEL: What Doctor?

14. INT. CORRIDOR. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR LISTENS EVEN MORE INTENTLY)

MOSS: (V.O.) There's a bloke calls hisself the Doctor. Tall. Curly hair. There's a girl working with him. I told them where to find this place. I didn't realise. I tried to stop them after. They know all about us.

(THE DOCTOR RAISES HIS EYEBROWS)

15. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

STAEL: I doubt that.

MOSS: They're investigators. They come to investigate.

STAEL: I will deal with them. Now go. Quickly.

(MOSS GOES TO THE DOOR)

16. INT. CORRIDOR. NIGHT.

(MOSS IS AT THE DOOR BEFORE THE DOCTOR CAN GET PAST AND AWAY)

STAEL: Are all our friends prepared?

(MOSS TURNS TO LOOK AT STAEL AND AS HE DOES SO THE DOCTOR SLIPS PAST THE DOOR AND AWAY)

MOSS: They're waitin' for the word.

Men the time come we much be twelve.

Moss: Yen do lead the coven now hut we know ithe old Way.

Thirteen he the number.

STAEL: a place much be left for the one that hills.

17. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN. NIGHT.

(COLBY IS
NOW CAUGHT
UP IN WHAT
FENDELMAN
HAS BEEN
TELLING HIM)

COLBY: Circumstantial. It's all circumstantial.

FENDELMAN: It is the only logical explanation, Adam. Man did not evolve on this planet. I am convinced of this.

(THEA GETS UP FROM THE TABLE)

THEA: Will you excuse me?

COLBY: Thea, I'm sorry. Are you -

THEA: No, it's all right. I'm just tired. Very tired. I'll go and lie down for a while.

FENDELMAN: You are looking a little pale my dear. You have been working too hard. I will ask Stael to look in on you later. (cont...)

(THEA GOES OUT)

FENDELMAN: (cont) There is more that I have not told you, Adam. With the scanner I have traced what I now think is the moment of death of this alien traveller. There is at that moment an enormous surge of energy the like of which I have never seen before. This is what first attracted my attention. It is an in-pouring of power - a concentration of energy, as though to store. Now I asked myself where would this energy be stored and why. These questions I could not answer until I x-rayed the skull.

COLBY: You x-rayed the skull? When?

FENDELMAN: Stael and I have been doing tests in secret for some time.

COLBY: Oh, thank you.

FENDELMAN: You are right. But from the beginning I have had the feeling that this was so important that it must be kept completely secret. Now these murders and the mysterious intruder -

COLBY:
rays.
He said something about x-

FENDELMAN: Obviously he has been spying on us.

COLBY: (THOUGHTFULLY) Yes. Well, what did you find?

FENDELMAN: I will show you. Come.

18. INT. COTTAGE LIVING-ROOM. NIGHT.

(MRS TYLER IS SITTING STIFFLY IN A CHAIR. A BLANKET IS WRAPPED ROUND HER SHOULDERS.

JACK TYLER IS KNEELING BY THE CHAIR.

THE OLD WOMAN IS HOLDING TIGHTLY TO HIS WRIST.

LEELA IS TRYING TO FORCE SOME BRANDY INTO HER MOUTH)

LEELA: Drink this, old woman. It will warm you.

(THE BRANDY TRICKLES OUT OF HER MOUTH)

JACK: Gran? Can you hear me? Gran? What happened?

LEELA: Don't ask her that. (cont...)

LEELA: (cont) It's because she doesn't want to remember that she's like this. You are safe now, old woman.

(SHE STROKES HER FACE)

You are safe now. Nothing can hurt you. I will let nothing hurt you.

MRS TYLER: (MUTTERING, INCOHERENT)

I seen it... great... dark... it
called me... in my mind it called
me... hungry... it were hungry for
my soul... everything... nothin'
left, no life left... help me... help
us...

JACK: What's it mean?

LEELA: The Doctor will know. I must find the Doctor.

(SHE HURRIES TO THE DOOR)

Stay with her.

19. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(STAEL HAS GONE.

FENDELMAN
HAS SEVERAL
X-RAY PLATES
ON A WALL
VIEWER.

THEY ARE
PICTURES OF
THE SKULL
FROM DIFFERENT
ANGLES.

HE AND COLBY ARE LOOKING AT THEM)

FENDELMAN: Do you see it?

(HE POINTS TO A PICTURE OF THE BACK OF THE SKULL.

THERE IS A FAINT BUT DISCERNIBLE PENTAGRAM IN THE SKULL STRUCTURE)

COLBY: It looks like a pentagram. It's the way the fragments have been assembled.

FENDELMAN: No. That is part of the bone structure itself. I believe it to be some sort of neural relay. That is where the energy was stored. It is interesting is it not, that for as long as man can remember the pentagram has been a symbol of mystical energy and power?

COLBY: All right, let's assume that's the 'how'. You're still left with why.

FENDELMAN: A beacon.

COLBY: A what?

FENDELMAN: Suppose the power is still within that neural circuit and can only be released by the intelligent application of advanced technology.

COLBY: You mean the release of the energy would act as a signal that there was intelligent life on this planet.

FENDELMAN: And mankind would at last meet its -

COLBY: Next of kin?

FENDELMAN: Destiny, Adam. It's destiny.

TELECINE 3:

Ext. Fetch Priory. Night.

LEELA pauses at the edge of the wood. A SECURITY GUARD is patrolling.

She ghosts out and immobilises him.

She runs noislessly towards the house.

END TELECINE 3.

20. INT. CELLAR STOREROOM. NIGHT.

(THE DOOR IS
PUSHED OPEN
AND THEA,
SOMEWHAT HESITANTLY,
STEPS INSIDE)

THEA: Are you there? Hullo? Please, I need help.

(STAEL COMES IN BEHIND HER.

HE PUTS A PAD OVER HER MOUTH AND NOSE.

SHE STRUGGLES)

STAEL: I will help you, Thea. You are the chosen vessel.

(THEA SLIPS INTO UNCONSCIOUS-NESS.

STAEL PICKS HER UP AND CARRIES HER OUT)

21. INT. COLBY'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR SLIPS IN, CLOSES THE DOOR CAREFULLY AND SWITCHES ON THE LIGHT.

HE LOOKS ROUND AT THE LABORATORY)

THE DOCTOR: Mm. Parastatic magnet-ometer.

(HE SEES THE
SKULL AND
HURRIES TO IT.
HE TAKES OUT A
JEWELLER'S LOOP
AND LOOKS CLOSELY
AT THE SKULL.

HE STRAIGHTENS UP AND STANDS THINKING)

Yes. Just there.

(HE PUTS OUT HIS FINGER AND TOUCHES THE SKULL FOR THE FIRST TIME)

No!

(AT THE LAST MOMENT HE TRIES TO DRAW BACK HIS FINGER FROM CONTACT WITH THE SKULL BUT IT IS TOO LATE. HE IS ENVELOPED IN A CRACKLING DISCHARGE OF POWER.

THE POWER
DISCHARGE
CONTINUES,
GETTING BRIGHTER
AND MORE INTENSE.

THE DOCTOR CANNOT BREAK FREE OF IT)

TELECINE 4:

SUPOSE CAM

Closing Titles:

END TELECINE 4.

FADE OUT